THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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National Intelligence Council

NOTE FOR: DCI

Mr. Casey,

Attached is the memorandum that you requested on the subject of possible new fluidity on the international scene. You remarked that Secretary George Shultz in particular felt "a number of things were going on." I discussed the issue with all of the regional NIOs. While none of us felt that something very special is going on at this very moment, we all sensed that fluidity is probably a general trend posing even greater challenges to "US planners. Certain verities of the past seem to be less certain now. I have also given the issue a good bit of thought myself and have chosen to formulate the problem as you see it in the paper.

This may well not be what you and Shultz had in mind. All the issues in the paper are themselves worthy of independent research. It nonetheless represents the best I can do right now with trying to bring some kind of coherence to the wealth of world developments we see before us.

Perhaps you and the Secretary may have some more specific interests based on this paper.

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